

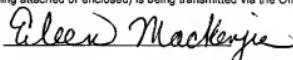
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed June 19, 2008, Applicant hereby elects claims Group I, Claims 1-12 for continued examination without traverse.

As required (page 3) Applicant identifies claims encompassing the elected invention. Claims 1 to 12 encompass the elected invention.

Having made the election, Applicant expressly reserves the right to file one or more continuing applications on the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

If there is a fee occasioned by this response, the Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 23/2825, under Docket No. C1233.70001US01.

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